

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Mitsuhiro OSHIKI et al.  
Serial No.: 10/574,272  
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Title: ULTRASONIC PROBE, ULTRASONOGRAPHIC DEVICE, AND  
ULTRASONOGRAPHIC METHOD  
Group: 3737  
Examiner: GRAF, Neil J.  
Confirmation No.: 9796

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

**MS: AF**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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In the matter of the above-identified application, applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit filing a response within the first month subsequent to expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the outstanding Final Office Action mailed August 6, 2010.

The statutory fee in the amount of \$130.00 is being electronically submitted to cover the fee required for the requested extension of time.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 389.46065X00).

Respectfully submitted,

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